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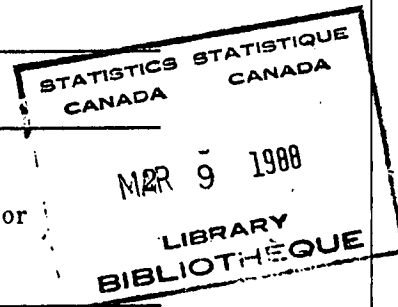
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Private and Public Investment, Intentions 1988

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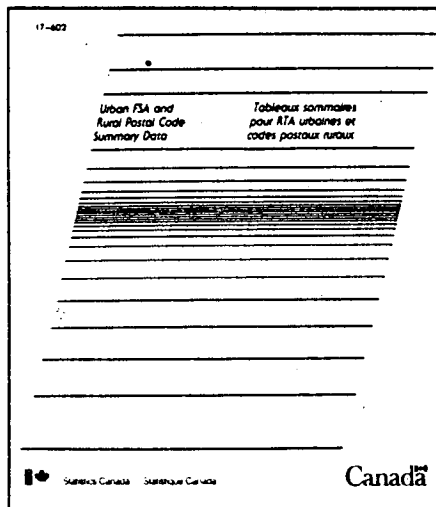
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Urban FSA and Rural Postal Code Summary Data, 1986



The third edition of this publication provides 1986 data derived from income tax returns for a little over 1,000 urban Forward Sortation Areas (FSA, the first three characters of the postal code) and 6,000 rural postal codes. This compendium includes socio-economic characteristics of the taxfiler population such as age group, sex, income and labour force status. Moreover, it features provincial and Canadian indices for median total income as well as rankings of postal code areas based on the percentage of taxfilers in the labour force population reporting unemployment insurance benefits.

This new edition will, once again, be an indispensable tool for analysts, planners, marketers, business and academic communities. A publication is available for all of Canada and one for each of the four major regions.

Urban FSA and Rural Postal Code Summary Data, 1986 (17-602, \$300 for all of Canada and \$110 for each of the regions) is now available in five versions: Canada (88-000); Atlantic provinces (88-001); Quebec (88-002); Ontario (88-003); Western provinces and territories (88-004). See "How to Order Publications".

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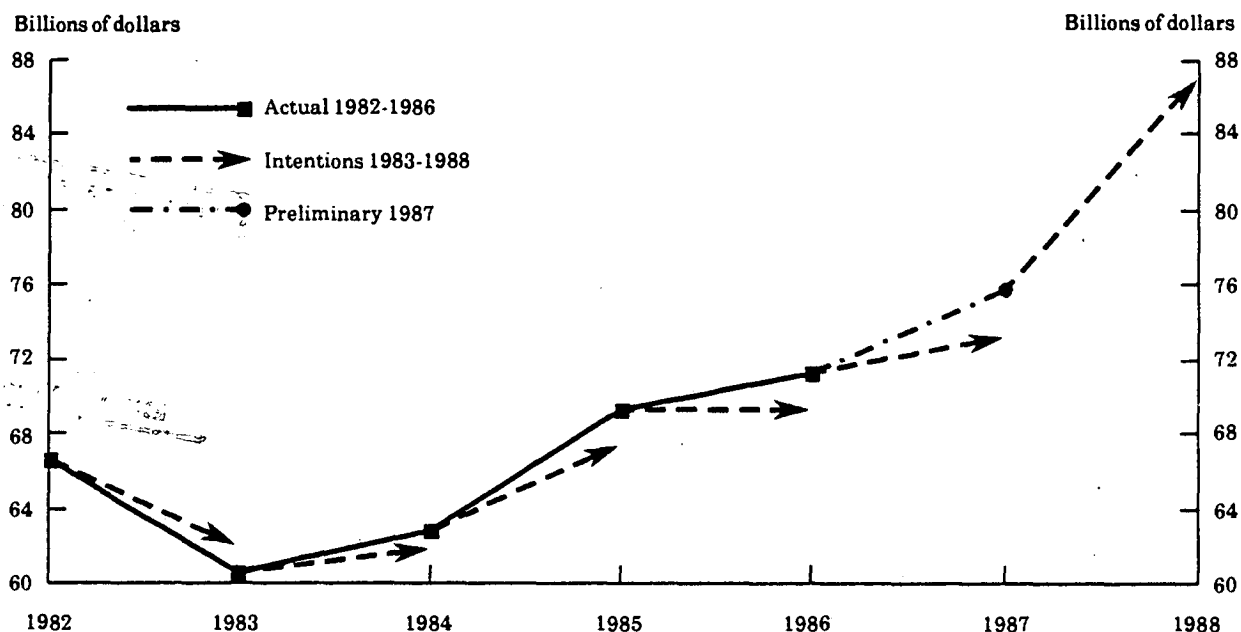
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Major Release

Capital Expenditures

Excluding Expenditures on Housing



Private and Public Investment

Intentions 1988

Intended investment expenditures on new fixed assets for 1988 are estimated to be \$119.5 billion or 10.1% above the latest estimate of \$108.5 billion for 1987. All sectors and industries share in this increase except for institutions and housing.

The mining industry expects to increase its capital spending by 27.7% in 1988 (-12.9% last year), manufacturing by 22.8% (4.9%), utilities by 22.6% (9.7%), the trade-finance-commercial group by 8.6% (16.1%), and governments by 9.4% (3.1%). Housing, on the other hand, is expected to be down by 1.4% (27.3%) and institutions down by 4.0% (6.2%).

Highlights of reported intentions for 1988 are as follows:

Note to Users

Spending intentions are based on a survey conducted between the beginning of November and the end of January.

Past differences between intentions and actual capital spending are shown in the accompanying chart. Over the period 1983 to 1986, intentions were exceeded by actual spending in all years except in 1983. On average, actual expenditures were 1.1% above reported intentions.

Business Sector

- Most of the intended capital spending increase for mining (up from \$6.7 billion in 1987 to \$8.6 billion in 1988) comes from a 37.8% increase for petroleum and gas wells. This is a sharp turnaround from the decrease of 20.1% in 1987 for petroleum and gas wells.

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- The expected 22.8% increase in manufacturing (up from \$15 billion last year to \$18.4 billion this year) is mainly due to increases in paper products, transportation equipment, primary metals, wood and the food and beverage industries.
- The advance of 22.6% in utilities (up from the 1987 total of \$14.6 billion to \$17.9 billion this year) results mostly from higher intended capital spending for air transport, electric power and the communications group.
- The expected gain of 8.6% in the trade-finance-commercial industries (up from \$20.8 billion in 1987 to \$22.6 billion in 1988) is concentrated in real estate development and in the commercial services group of industries.

Governments and Institutions

- Two of the three levels of government account for almost all of the expected increases for this sector. Capital spending by municipal governments is expected to increase by 13.4% to \$5 billion. The increase to \$2.9 billion for federal government departments is 13.7% above 1987.
- The institutions group as a whole expect a decrease of 4.0% from 1987. Hospitals expect to spend 7.4% more in 1988 than in 1987 but that gain is more than offset by a decrease for schools and other institutions.

Housing

- The estimate of \$32.4 billion for residential construction represents a 1.4% decrease from 1987 and is based on projected housing starts of 199,850 in 1988 compared with 246,000 starts in 1987 and 199,800 starts in 1986.

Provincial Comparisons

Among the provinces, Alberta is expected to post the highest increase in capital spending (at 18.5%) to reflect the increased drilling of petroleum and gas wells in that province. Other provinces expected to exceed the national rate (10.1%) include British Columbia (15.4%), Nova Scotia (12.2%) and Prince Edward Island (11.0%).

(see table on page 4)

Additional statistics for the provinces by industry or according to private or public categories can be obtained from CANSIM: matrices 1066-1079, 1190, 1194, 1198, 1202, 1206, 1210, 1214, 1218, 1222, 1226, 1230, 1272-1296 and 1303-1327.

Private and Public Investment in Canada, Intentions 1988 (61-205, \$28) will be available mid-April. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Duncan Lusick (613-951-2209) or Justin Lacroix (613-951-2589 or 613-951-9815), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division. Regional reference centres may also be contacted.

Comparison of Capital Expenditures

	Total Capital Expenditures			Preliminary 1987 vs. Actual 1986	Intentions 1988 vs. Preliminary 1987
	1986 Actual	1987 Preliminary	1988 Intentions		
	(Millions of dollars)			% Change	
Agriculture/fishing	2,761	2,614	2,650	-5.3	1.4
Forestry	231	230	292	-0.2	26.9
Mining	7,697	6,703	8,558	-12.9	27.7
Construction	1,444	1,577	1,768	9.2	12.1
Manufacturing	14,249	14,954	18,362	4.9	22.8
Utilities	13,318	14,607	17,901	9.7	22.6
Trade	2,634	2,743	2,993	4.2	9.1
Finance	7,131	8,983	9,748	26.0	8.5
Commercial	8,177	9,099	9,869	11.3	8.5
Sub-total Business	57,642	61,510	72,141	6.7	17.3
Institutions	3,524	3,743	3,593	6.2	-4.0
Government departments	10,156	10,473	11,456	3.1	9.4
Sub-total Social	13,680	14,216	15,049	3.9	5.9
Housing	25,764	32,803	32,351	27.3	-1.4
Grand Total	97,086	108,529	119,541	11.8	10.1

Summary of Provinces and Territories
1986 to 1988¹

Item No.	Capital Expenditures		
	Construction	Machinery and Equipment	Total
(Millions of Dollars)			
Atlantic Region:			
1 Newfoundland	1986	1,409	617
	1987	1,368	542
	1988	1,341	712
2 Prince Edward Island	1986	237	87
	1987	249	88
	1988	278	96
3 Nova Scotia	1986	1,949	902
	1987	1,940	1,080
	1988	2,038	1,350
4 New Brunswick	1986	1,224	715
	1987	1,362	765
	1988	1,412	795
5 Sub-total (items 1 to 4)	1986	4,819	2,321
	1987	4,920	2,474
	1988	5,069	2,953
6 Quebec	1986	13,254	7,776
	1987	15,604	8,574
	1988	16,014	10,076
7 Ontario	1986	21,784	16,612
	1987	26,626	17,420
	1988	27,568	20,049
Prairie Region:			
8 Manitoba	1986	2,415	1,170
	1987	2,395	1,193
	1988	2,623	1,312
9 Saskatchewan	1986	2,436	1,337
	1987	2,782	1,542
	1988	2,973	1,748
10 Alberta	1986	8,996	3,502
	1987	9,053	3,861
	1988	10,487	4,811
11 Sub-total (items 8 to 10)	1986	13,847	6,009
	1987	14,230	6,596
	1988	16,082	7,872
12 British Columbia	1986	6,475	3,101
	1987	7,560	3,678
	1988	8,178	4,794
13 Yukon and Northwest Territories	1986	938	150
	1987	683	164
	1988	595	291
14 Canada (items 5, 6, 7, 11, 12 and 13)	1986	61,117	35,969
	1987	69,623	38,906
	1988	73,507	46,034

¹ Actual 1986, followed by Preliminary Actual 1987, and then Intentions 1988.

Note: Figures may not add to totals due to rounding.

Data Availability Announcements

Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area

January 1988

Highlights

- Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$730 million in January 1988, down 5.4% from the January 1987 level of \$772 million. Adjusted to remove the effect of the sale of Woodward Stores Ltd.'s food department, sales decreased 0.5% from the January 1987 level.
- Department store sales during January 1988, for the provinces and the 10 metropolitan areas surveyed, were as follows (with the percentage change from January 1987 in parentheses):

Province

- Newfoundland, \$7.2 million (-1.3%)
- Prince Edward Island, \$4.7 million (5.2%)
- Nova Scotia, \$22.2 million (3.6%)
- New Brunswick, \$14.5 million (3.2%)
- Quebec, \$138.6 million (-0.8%)
- Ontario, \$303.5 million (1.0%)
- Manitoba, \$31.7 million (-12.9%)
- Saskatchewan, \$22.1 million (-10.1%)
- Alberta, \$83.2 million (-17.5%)
- British Columbia, \$102.0 million (-16.6%)

Metropolitan Area

- Calgary, \$34.1 million (-9.8%)
- Edmonton, \$36.4 million (-18.3%)
- Halifax-Dartmouth, \$13.1 million (4.2%)
- Hamilton, \$22.8 million (6.1%)
- Montreal, \$80.9 million (-2.3%)
- Ottawa-Hull, \$34.7 million (0.6%)
- Quebec City, \$19.2 million (3.3%)
- Toronto, \$126.4 million (0.8%)
- Vancouver, \$60.6 million (-17.3%)
- Winnipeg, \$29.1 million (-11.6%)

Note to Users:

Users should note that the year-over-year movements for some provinces and census metropolitan areas have been affected by major structural changes during 1987, including the sale of Woodward Stores Ltd.'s food department to Canada Safeway Ltd. The adjusted provincial percentage changes in January were as follows: Alberta (-2.7%) and British Columbia (2.8%). The confidentiality provisions of the Statistics Act preclude releasing adjusted movements for Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver.

Information on department store sales and stocks by department will be released in *The Daily* during the week of March 21, 1988. The January 1988 issue of *Department Store Monthly Sales, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Area* (63-004, \$2.50/\$25) will be available the fourth week of March. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Colleen Loggie (613-951-3548), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Airport Activity Statistics: Scheduled Services

Third Quarter 1987

Preliminary data indicate that 12.1 million passengers travelling on scheduled services, enplaned and deplaned at the top 10 Canadian airports during the third quarter of 1987, a decrease of 1.4% from the third quarter of 1986.

During the third quarter of 1987, the top 10 airports showed the following percentage changes in scheduled passenger traffic volumes relative to 1986:

• Lester B. Pearson (Toronto) International	4.5%
• Vancouver International	-19.2%
• Montreal (Dorval) International	4.5%
• Calgary International	2.1%
• Winnipeg International	4.3%
• Edmonton International	-7.7%
• Halifax International	1.9%
• Ottawa International	2.5%
• Mirabel International	-2.3%
• St. John's	5.9%

The substantial decrease in traffic recorded at Vancouver International during the third quarter of 1987 is explained by the high volume of air travellers to Vancouver for Expo 86.

Edmonton Municipal Airport, which usually ranks tenth in terms of passengers enplaned and deplaned on scheduled services, dropped to twelfth position in the third quarter of 1987.

Preliminary data for 30 selected Canadian airports for the third quarter of 1987 will appear in the next *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available this month. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact K. Davidson (819-997-1386), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

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Urban FSA and Rural Postal Code Summary Data, 1986. Catalogue number 17-602
This publication is available in five versions: **Canada** (issue no. 88-000, \$300 in Canada and \$325 in Other Countries). The remaining versions are each available for \$110 in Canada and \$125 in Other Countries: **Atlantic provinces** (issue 88-001); **Quebec** (issue 88-002); **Ontario** (issue 88-003) and the **Western provinces and territories** (issue 88-004).

The Sugar Situation, December 1987. Catalogue number 32-013
(Canada: \$4.50/\$45; Other Countries: \$5.50/\$55).

Quarterly Hospital Information System - Hospital Indicators, April 1987 - June 1987. Catalogue number 83-002
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